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In re Application of:  
Dennis C. Liotta et al  
Serial No. 08/488,097  
Filed: June 7, 1995  
For: ANTIVIRAL ACTIVITY AND  
RESOLUTION OF 2-HYDROXYMETHYL-  
5-(5-FLUOROCYTOSIN-1-YL)-  
1,3-OXATHIOLANE

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102, filed October 19, 1998, to render the new application special for examination purposes under MPEP § 708.02, X.

The petition has been reviewed and it is found to be in compliance with the requirements for special status as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.102 and in § 708.02, X of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure.

Subject alone to diligent prosecution by the applicants, this application will continue to be treated special throughout the entire prosecution in the Patent and Trademark Office.

The petition is GRANTED.

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